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PRUSSEN	5395		31	ARYDLITE	9000		31
						UTWARD: for China and Japan via SUMA,					
						For Australia					

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ZIETEN	5043	Tons	...	30	Dec.	FRIDRICH D. GR.	10995
BAACHEN	5035	"	...	30	Jan.	BERMAN	11070
PRINCESS ALICE	10911	"	...	30	Jan.	SCHARNHORST	8000

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Dec. 8 4 p.m.	<i>Cleopatra</i>	Capt. A. Ivalish.	Dec. 17 4 p.m.	<i>Africa</i>	Capt. Badstueb.
" 10 "	<i>Semiramis</i>	Marinovich.	" 24 "	<i>Habsburg</i>	" Kiamkonger.

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UTRONIA ... Nov. 4	CAMPANIA ... 13,684 "	AURANIA ... 7,698 "	SELYANIA ... 5,986 "
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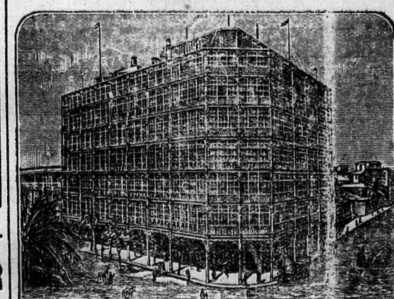
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renouveau de vie, lui rend l'embonpoint perdu et ramène
aux yeux le vie éclat de la santé. Elle est merveilleuse et
comme remède et comme aliment. Le flacon est toujours

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

OBSERVATIONS BY SURVEY DEPARTMENT

ALEXANDRIA.

Direction of Wind. N.N.E.
Force. 0.07 p.m. 4.44 a.m. 4.44 p.m.
State of Sea. Slight.
Duration of Fog. In the shade. 20.0
4 hours. 10.0
5 hours. 10.0
6 hours. 10.0
7 hours. 10.0
8 hours. 10.0
9 hours. 10.0
10 hours. 10.0
11 hours. 10.0
12 hours. 10.0

REMARKS.

Yesterday there was a great change in the weather, the
temperature being exceptionally high for this time of the
year. The wind, however, blew steadily light from the
N. E. Smooth sea, clear and cloudy weather alternated
throughout. Barometer rising.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

Dec. 7 New Moon. 5.38 a.m. 6.39 a.m. 4.55 a.m.
16 1st Quarter. 0.07 p.m. 4.44 a.m. 4.44 p.m.
23 Full Moon. 8.01 p.m. 6.44 a.m. 4.10 a.m.
30 Last Quarter. 5.40 p.m. 6.51 a.m. 5.03 p.m.

MARRIAGE.

SKENE-MACHTERSON.—At Remford, Essex, (by special
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old daughter of the Rev. John Macpherson, Minister
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TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

PORT ARTHUR.

JAPANESE SUCCESS.

DESTRUCTION IN HARBOUR.

RUSSIAN SHIPS SUNK.

JAPS WAITING OUTSIDE.

TOKIO, December 7.
Another 5 hours armistice was agreed upon yesterday at Port Arthur, as the Russians desired to remove their dead.

The battleship *Poltava* has been sunk. The battleship *Retsian* is listing badly, and the cruiser *Bayan* is stranded.

The Japanese have occupied Akasaka Hill. (Reuter.)

CHI-FU, December 7.
Subsequent to the occupation of Akasaka hill, the Japanese captured two other hills near It-shan. (Reuter.)

TOKIO, December 7.
The Japanese bombardment at Port Arthur has sunk the *Poltava* and damaged the *Retsian*. (Havas.)

CHI-FU, December 8.
The Japanese bombardment of the harbour was continued yesterday. Many shots took effect. The *Peresviet* was ignited. The *Retsian* has been apparently sunk, and the *Pobieda* is listing to starboard. (Reuter.)

TOKIO, December 8.
The Japanese continue to bombard Port Arthur, aiming at the battleships *Pallada*, *Peresviet*, and *Pobieda*. (Havas.)

CHI-FU, December 8.
The *Peresviet* has sunk and is submerged. The *Retsian* is nearly submerged. The *Pobieda*'s stern is submerged. The *Pallada* is slightly sinking astern. The *Sevastopol* also appears to be sinking. The *Bayan* is on fire. A steamer reports that she saw a strong Japanese squadron outside Port Arthur. It is believed that the entire fleet is there now. (Reuter.)

SCENE ON 203-METRE HILL.

LONDON, December 8.
Reuter's correspondent before Port Arthur, who visited the 203-metre hill at the close of a week's struggle, says the scene was awful. The crest of the hill was torn away and the trenches semi-obiterated. In a single section of 100 yards of trenches there were 200 Russian dead and wounded, horribly mangled by dynamite and grenades. (Reuter.)

MANCHURIA.

ACTIVITY OF CHUN-CHUSES

TREMENDOUS CANNONADING.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 7.
The Russian correspondents at Mukden constantly refer to the activity of the Chun-chuses, who are now well organised under the famous leader Tulisan. They are especially troublesome in their attempts to blow up bridges and the railway. (Reuter.)

MUKDEN, December 7.
A tremendous cannonading with siege guns began yesterday morning round Putiloff hill and the railway. The number of guns is constantly increasing. It is supposed that important developments will follow. (Reuter.)

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

RECEIVED BY THE POPE.

ROME, December 7.
The Duke of Connaught has been received in audience by the Pope. (Reuter.)

TRAGIC DEATH OF M. SYVETON.

ASPHYXIATED IN HIS ROOM.

PARIS, December 8.
M. Syveton has died, having been asphyxiated through an escape of gas in his study. (Havas.)

PARIS, December 9.
M. Syveton, the aggressor of General André, has been found dead, asphyxiated by gas in his study. (Reuter.)

THE BALTIC FLEET.

COALING OF VESSELS.

DEPARTURE FROM TANGIER.

PERIM, December 7.
The yacht *Catarina*, from Djibouti, contradicts the shows' report to the effect that the Russians had coaled at Musha. All the ships coaled at Djibouti from their own coilers, and also re-provisioned there. (Reuter.)

TANGIER, December 7.
The rest of Admiral Botrovsky's squadron, consisting of the cruiser *Dnieper* (ex *Petersburg*), two destroyers, and a transport, have left, travelling eastwards. (Reuter.)

BREST, December 8.
The destroyer *Pronizitelni*, mentioned on the 29th November, was repaired, and has since left. (Reuter.)

COAL FOR THE BALTIC FLEET.

LONDON, December 8.
The German collier *Bengalia* sailed from Cardiff for Batavia with 12,000 tons of coal, which it is believed is for the Baltic Fleet. (Reuter.)

THIRD RUSSIAN SQUADRON.

LONDON, December 8.
The *Daily Mail* learns from St. Petersburg that the Tsar yesterday decreed the despatch of a third squadron, which will not be composed of Black Sea vessels. (Reuter.)

GENERAL NEWS.

ANGLO-FRENCH CONVENTION.

ADOPTED BY SENATE.

PARIS, December 7.
The Senate has adopted the Anglo-French Convention by 215 votes to 37. (Reuter.)

PARIS, December 7.
The Senate has passed the Anglo-French Convention. M. Delcassé spoke of the happy results of the entente with England and the advantages obtained in West Africa and Morocco, which compensate for the concessions made in Egypt and Newfoundland. (Havas.)

PARIS, December 8.
The Senate adopted without a division the Franco-Siamese Convention. M. Delcassé said that this treaty would assure to France a preponderance in the Mekong Basin without moving a single soldier, or expending a centime.

Replying to the debate on the Anglo-French Convention, M. Delcassé said that his opponents had concentrated their criticisms on the question of Newfoundland, yet all that France had abandoned was the valueless fish-curing rights, and she had received in exchange important compensation elsewhere. This Convention was the result of a foreign policy based upon a plan which had been followed perseveringly for six years. In consequence of such plan, Spain and Italy had been conciliated and Great Britain no longer saw in France anything else but a tried worker, whom it would be difficult to replace in the field of peace and concord. (Reuter.)

AUSTRIA AND TURKEY.

ULTIMATUM TO THE PORTE.

VIENNA, December 8.
Austria has presented an ultimatum to Turkey demanding the punishment of the Soutari officials who detained the mails. Unless this is done, the fleet will proceed to the Levant. (Reuter.)

VIENNA, December 8.
Turkey has agreed to accede to Austria's demands. The incident is now regarded as closed. (Reuter.)

ENGLAND'S TRADE.

BIG INCREASE IN EXPORTS.

LONDON, December 7.
The exports during November show an increase of £3,000,000 and the imports of £2,000,000 compared with last year. During the 11 months the increases are £5,500,000 for exports and £8,000,000 for imports. (R.)

AMERICAN COTTON.

MOVEMENT AMONG PLANTERS.

NEW-ORLEANS, December 8.
The planters in the cotton-growing States have summoned mass meetings here, in order to devise some means of holding back the cotton. (Reuter.)

PRINCE FAZIL AT MARSEILLES.

MARSEILLES, December 8.
Prince Fazil has arrived. (Havas.)

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE entertainment at Shepherd's Hotel will take place on the 25th inst. Invitations will be issued next week.

A POSTAL ERROR.—We regret to state that the issue of the *Gazette* of Saturday last for our Ramleh subscribers was despatched to Cairo through an error of the Post Office.

RABIES.—There are an unusually large number of dog-bitten people at Kas-el-Aini Hospital, Cairo, now. We hear 60 mentioned, though, of course, there is no proof that all the dogs were mad.

TO BOOKLOVERS.—Mr. Marschner, the well-known Cairo bookseller, has published an interesting list of new and second-hand books, chiefly Oriental and mostly from the library of the late Dr. C. Reinhardt, Consul at Bahr. Booklovers who have not received this list may have it post-free on application to Diemer's Bookstall, P. O. B. 311, Cairo.

HELOUAN.—In reference to a notice issued recently by the management of the Tewfik Palace Hotel, Helouan, residents and visitors may be reminded that the trains from Babel-Louk station leave for Helouan at 9.10, 10.10, and 12.10, and not at 9.15, 10.15, and 12.10. Luncheon is served at 1 p.m. (Reuter.)

SUEZ CANAL.—On the 5th inst. 10 vessels passed through the canal, 5 of which were British, 2 Austrian, 1 French, 1 Italian, 1 Dutch. On this day the receipts were frs. 276,329.34. On the 6th the number of vessels was 17, of which 13 were British, 1 Austrian, 1 German, 1 French, 1 Dutch, the receipts for the day being frs. 448,953.56. From the 1st to the 6th inst. the total receipts amounted to frs. 2,256,088.50.

A VENDETTA AT KAHR ZAYAT.—The long-standing dispute between two well-known native families of Kafr Zayat, the Fazari and the Rukubani, culminated some weeks ago in a street fight in which some of the former family were badly beaten. The Maluhiz of the police at Kafr Zayat is accused by the Fazari of having been very negligent in coming to their help and they have denounced that official to the Parquet. The matter is still under consideration by the Parquet, whose decision is awaited with great interest by the people of Kafr Zayat.

"THE SPHINX."—This Cairo winter weekly journal has made its eleventh annual appearance in an entirely new dress, which suits it admirably. This first number contains some very interesting contributions which appeal to the resident and visitor alike, and a feature is made of financial news of a very informing character, to which a whole page is devoted. We believe that, as the season advances, new features, more intimately connected with the movements and doings of our winter guests, will be added, and the attractiveness of the publication enhanced by half-tone illustrations of local and topical events. It is the aim of the editor to make his journal reflect the non-political views of the residents of the Capital, and he hopes to receive the co-operation of the latter in his task. The quality of the paper and printing leaves nothing to be desired.

THE KHEDIVÉ.

The Khedive proceeded yesterday morning to Koubbeh Mosque, where he attended Beyram prayers.
The Beyram reception held at Abdeen Palace by his Highness was very largely attended.
To-morrow his Highness will open the horticultural exhibition at Ghezireh at 3 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY.

We hear that the British professors employed in the Secondary Schools at Cairo will not, this year, get their Christmas Day free. Up to this year they have been, almost without exception, allowed a holiday on December 25, but this year, it is said, owing to the fact that the Arabic professors are unable to take the whole day's work through insufficiency in numbers, they will lose it.

We are, of course, aware that Christmas Day, like other European holidays, cannot, in a Moslem country, be observed to the same extent as in England, but we think it a pity that the authorities of the Ministry of Public Instruction cannot see their way to grant the concession to men,—many of whom are married and would naturally prefer to spend the day at home,—who have done hard, and in some cases rather monotonous, work for some time past.

THE LATE MRS. WILSON.

The funeral of the late Mrs. W. J. Wilson took place yesterday morning at the Old British Protestant Cemetery at Alexandria, and was attended by many of the older members of the British Colony. The body was brought from Cairo by the only son of the deceased lady, Mr. Louis Wilson, and the funeral service was conducted by the Rev. W. Wornell.

"YOU NEVER KNOW YOUR LUCK."

We publish in another column the advertisement of SAMUEL HECKSCHER, SENR., of HAMBURG.
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We would strongly recommend our readers to take particular notice of Mr. Heckscher's announcement and try their luck to win A FORTUNE. [Adv.]

PRINCE'S VISIT TO EGYPT.

PRINCE LEOPOLD ARRIVING ON TUESDAY.

Prince Leopold of Battenberg left Kensington Palace this day week for Egypt. His Highness travelled from Liverpool-street by the P. and O. boat train express to Tilbury, where he embarked on the steamship *Arabia* for Port Said. Princess Henry of Battenberg and Princess Ena were present at the station to bid him good-bye. Lord William Cecil travelled with the Prince to Tilbury. His Highness is expected at Port Said on Tuesday next and will proceed straight to Cairo. Lord Cecil has engaged a suite of rooms for his Highness at the Hotel d'Angleterre.

THE SINAI EXPEDITION.

Mr. Monk Poroh, the well-known Oxonian Egyptologist, who is on his way to explore the Sinaitic peninsula in company with Professor Flinders Petrie, has arrived at Suez and will start from there by camel. It is well known that in ancient times large amounts of malachite were brought to Alexandria from Sinai, and it is hoped that a large business may be developed by reviving the export of this beautiful mineral.

Professor Flinders Petrie, whose age will not enable him to endure as much campaigning in the desert as he would like, will not undertake the search for flint instruments, which is a subject very dear to Mr. Monk Poroh's heart. This search for malachite is a somewhat new departure for the professor, who has hitherto confined his attention more to antiquities than to commerce. The conjunction of these two able men should result in some very interesting researches, as Sinai is in a great measure an undiscovered country.

The old malachite mines are believed to have been located, but they have not been explored in recent times.

NUNGVOICH HOTELS.

The election of the directors of the Nungvoich Hotels Company has been postponed owing to the illness of Dr. Page-May, who is suffering from influenza.

ZIZINIA THEATRE.

LA GIOCONDA.

Ponchielli's tuneful and favorite opera *La Gioconda* is so well-known, and so truly appreciated by the majority of the opera-going public, that no surprise need be expressed at the audience which assembled last evening and taxed the seating accommodation of the house to its utmost limits. In spite of this, however, the performance failed to draw the house to any very great extent in the first or second acts, and there appeared to be an unaccountable coldness on each side of the footlights; even the moon beat a very hasty retreat. It was not until the closing of the third act, with its tragic scene and magnificent finale, that the audience were thoroughly roused, and all the artists concerned were enthusiastically recalled again and again. As *La Gioconda* Signa. Amelia Pinto created a very favorable impression, both acting and singing with much artistic skill. Such a performance augurs well for the success of the several operas in which this lady is to appear. Signa. Margherita Julia was not altogether what we had anticipated as Laura Adorno. If the huskiness so painfully evident occasionally, in the lower register, was due to cold, Signa. Julia was certainly very brave to have come forward. Her performance otherwise was exceedingly good. In the rôle of Enzo Grimaldi Sig. Francesco Bravi did not appear to be quite at ease, but whatever he lacked historically he certainly made up for vocally. Signor Bravi possesses a fine voice, which he has under good control, and although rather light for an opera such as *Gioconda*, he scored a distinct success. His rendering of the favorite "Cielo e mar" naturally brought forth the usual rounds of applause and consequent encore. As Alvise Badoero, Sig. Carlo Walter acted with dignity and sang, as he always does, with effect. Sig. Enrico Nani's performance was one much above the average, his singing and acting being of high artistic merit throughout the opera. Sig. Nani will undoubtedly become a great favorite during the season. The very distressing character of *La Cieca* was ably sustained by Signa. Adele Ponzano. The two ballets danced during the evening were well executed, and the chorus was even better than usual, the invisible chorus in particular being exceedingly well rendered. Under the able baton of Sig. Setti the orchestra was excellent, although in the third act and finale the cymbals worked rather more than was pleasant for those sitting near.

ALHAMBRA THEATRE.

There was a large house at the Alhambra last night to welcome the new variety and ballet company which is now occupying the boards. The company is composed of very good elements, and an excellent show was presented. It would take up more space than we have at our disposal to enumerate the various "turns" on the programme, so many and varied are these, but the performances of "The Stewarts" equilibristes, Bepoli, French comique (who is, by the way, an old favorite here), Mlle. Rosenstiel, "disease," Mlle. Migon, balladist, and Mlle. Ivon Hett, *la poulpe Parisienne*, are worthy of special mention. We must candidly confess the ballet, *Les Amours du Papillon*, did not come up to our expectations, but this was probably due to the fact, announced, that no less than three of the fair participants were indisposed. We hope for better things in future.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents, but we wish, in a spirit of fair play to all, to permit—within certain necessary limits—the discussion.

ICE SUPPLY OF ALEXANDRIA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE EGYPTIAN GAZETTE.
Sir,—Having read the article on the above subject in your issue of yesterday's date, and being interested in the ice business, will you please allow us a brief space for a reply. Just previous to the commencement of the ice season—unfortunately for the public as well as the owners—the Société Anonyme des Moulins d'Egypte's ice-works and flour-mills were almost entirely destroyed by fire, and out of four ice plants one only remained intact. The motor power having been destroyed by the fire, it was impossible to put these three ice plants again in working condition in time for the season; consequently the above-named company were only working one plant instead of four, which reduced their output of ice to twelve tons instead of forty-eight. The reason as to how the fourth ice-plant could be worked, is that this plant is completely isolated from the others, and connected to separate motor-power. Had this company been working all four ice plants, the output of ice in Alexandria would certainly have been more than sufficient to meet the public requirements. It is easy to see from the above the reason why ice was high in price, but the extra profit did not go into the pockets of the ice manufacturers, it was reaped by the retail vendors, who took advantage of an exceptional situation. In conclusion we may add that the three ice plants of the Société Anonyme des Moulins d'Egypte have been again erected, and are in a position to be worked next season. Thanking you for your space,
R. ASPDEN & Co.
Alexandria, December 8.

ABUSE OF MONOPOLY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE EGYPTIAN GAZETTE.
Sir,—Frequent complaints are heard of dilatoriness on the part of the Telephone Co., but action amounting to breach of contract is, I hope, rare. My experience of a few days ago is the following:—
A customer in Ramleh, who is a subscriber to the Telephone Co., endeavored to telephone to me relative to the repetition of an important order and also for some urgently-wanted medicine for his wife. To his astonishment communication was refused him, the employee informing him that, were he to do so, it would entail loss of his post. Imagining that a mistake had occurred, my client again endeavored to communicate with me, but met with refusal on three separate occasions. He then, at considerable loss of time and inconvenience, came to Alexandria and gave the order in person.

I take it for granted that the aim and object of the Telephone Company is to furnish telephonic communication amongst subscribers, and with a view to information on the subject, and this particular case in question, I wrote to the Alexandria manager per registered letter and telegraphed to the general manager in Cairo requesting an explanation. This probably being to them a matter of such frequent occurrence and of so little moment, neither of the aforesaid gentlemen thought fit to reply to my letter or telegram. I therefore crave the courtesy of your paper with a view to learning if other subscribers have been treated in a like manner.

Yours truly,
J. MACGREGOR.
Cherif Pasha-st, Alexandria, Dec. 8.

SPORT AND PLAY.

CRICKET.

CAIRO v. ALEXANDRIA.

The Cairo-Alexandria cricket match began yesterday in very uncertain and squally weather, which several times interrupted play. Alexandria began well, having 140 on the board for 3 wickets before lunch, owing to some fine batting by H. B. Carver, the two MacLarens, and Strange. After lunch, however, the whole side got out for 199, Lockett and Graves getting the wickets. Cairo began badly in losing Lockett, who had hard luck in getting out off his pads, but thanks to Capt. Potter, who played a very steady innings and was not out at the close of play, they did better than their start promised. At the close of play the score was 58 for 3 wickets, so that Alexandria may be said to hold a decided lead.
The Married v. Single cricket match on Saturday will not be played. A Rugby football match, Cairo v. The Provincials, will replace it, and will certainly be more seasonable, to judge from the weather that ushered in Beyram.

FOOTBALL.

E.T.C. v. BERKSHIRE REOT.

The above teams met on Wednesday afternoon at the Sporting Club, and a very pleasant game ended in a win for the E.T.C. by 2 goals to 1. The following played for the E.T.C.:—Goal, Harrison; backs, Lees and Inledon; halves, Sedgewick, Collier, and Townsend; forwards, R. B. McLean, Byrne, Thurston, Blythman, and Chessman.

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PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Among the passengers who arrived at Port Said on Wednesday by the S.S. *India* were the Earl of Londborough, Lord George Cholmondeley, Lord Newton, Lord Radstock, Sir James Blyth, Sir Edward Doyle, Sir Robert Bopner, M.P., and Lady Bopner and Sir Edward and Lady Stone.

H. E. Mustapha Pasha Fahmy, the Prime Minister, H. E. Mahmud Sidky Pasha, Governor of Alexandria, and Izet Bey Choucri are spending the Beyram holidays at Mena-House.

Among others spending the holidays under the shadow of the Pyramids are Mrs. Du Boulay, Mr. Carter Wilson, Capt. Hachert, Miss Strachan, Miss B. M. Board, Miss Morrison, Dr. Herbert W. Brown.

Many prominent Alexandrians arrived in Cairo for the Levée, among them Rear-Admiral Sir M. Blomfield, K.C.M.G., Michalla Pasha, Chitty Bey, and Mr. Macaulay.

Rear-Admiral Sir Massie Blomfield returned from Cairo yesterday evening.

Chitty Bey, Director-General of Customs, will return from Cairo to-morrow morning.

Ahmed Pasha Fared arrived yesterday evening from Cairo.

We deeply regret to announce the death of Mrs. Kyriacopolou, the mother of our excellent confrère, Mr. Achilles Kyriacopolou, proprietor and editor of the well-known Greek paper of Alexandria, *Telegraphos*. The funeral will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

EGYPTIAN SHARE MARKET.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, December 4.
The political situation since our last has not had much effect on Stock Exchange prices. A further delay has taken place in the negotiations foreshadowed in our previous article, owing to the fact that the war party in Russia had again got the upper hand, and have been trying to utilise the Indian frontier question to delay matters. One of the features in Egyptian stocks this week has been the renewed demand for Salt and Soda shares. The supply of shares on this market being almost exhausted, the natural result is that a further considerable advance in price has taken place, and there are at this moment large buying orders at 42s. which are still unsupplied. The price is an exaggerated one and offers a fine opportunity for profit-taking; at the same time those on your side who understand the position of affairs of this company will be able to draw their own conclusions. There has also been during the past week an active market in Egyptian Mining shares, notably Nile Valleys and United Africans. The former have been over 84, and the latter 24. There has been a setback from those prices during the last day or two, due in part to profit-taking, and it is also stated that the outside broker company which has had to meet its creditors had considerable interests in these shares.

It looks as if the check is only a temporary one; the market might take a fresh start at any moment. United Africans, which have fallen to 14 (their price to-day), look cheap. It is said that they have, in cash and liquid assets, sufficient to pay about £2.10.0. per share. Bank shares are steady. Nationals 234, and Agriculturals 104. Delta Light Railway Preference are a strong market at 15 and look like going better still, on their satisfactory report just issued. In general markets South Africans are easier—but with a good undertone, and a decided widening of business. Internationals are firm on the whole, and the American Market remains a wonderfully good one.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Messageries Maritimes S.S. *Senegal* arrived at Marseilles from Alexandria yesterday at 3 p.m.

The Messageries Maritimes S.S. *Congo*, will sail for Marseilles to-morrow at 4 p.m.

The Elderman S.S. *Ararat* sailed hence for Liverpool direct yesterday, with a general cargo, including 2,692 bales cotton.

The Elderman S.S. *Bulgarian* sailed yesterday from Liverpool for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria.

The Moss liner *Seti* sailed hence yesterday morning for Liverpool, via Malta, with passengers, mails, and general cargo, including 4,124 bales cotton.

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